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SUBJECT: AGRIBUSINESS COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP ON BENHIMA VISTST

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1. PRIME MINISTER'S ECONOMIC STAFF INFORMS US REPLY TO AGRIBUSINESS COUNCIL LETTER SENT MAY 29. DELAY WAS DUE TO TIME NEEDED FOR POLICY DECISION ON COUNCIL'S REQUEST THAT GOM PAY FOR ALL MISSION COSTS IN-COUNTRY. GOM HAS DECIDED IT CANNOT DO SO, CHIEFLY TO AVOID WHAT MIGHT COME TO BE EXPENSIVE PRECEDENT, STAFF OFFICIAL SUGGESTS COUNCIL CONSIDER PREPARATORY MISSION OF ONE OR TWO MEMBERS TO LOOK OVER PROSPECTS AND MAKE CONTACTS HERE PRELIMINARY TO FULL SCALE EFFORT.

2. DEPARTMENT AND USDOC SHOULD ADVISE POTENTIAL US BUSINESS INVESTORS THAT THEY SHOULD ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE (PREFERABLY IN FRENCH) TO SERVICE D'ACCUEIL DES INVESTISSEURS, SECRETARIAT D'ETAT AUPRES DU PREMIER MINISTRE CHARGE DES AFFAIRES ECONOMIQUES, 23 CHARIA MOULAY HASSAN, RABAT. THIS IS ACTION OFFICE WITHIN GOM FOR ALL FOREIGN INVESTMENT COORDINATION, INCLUDING BENHIMA MISSION FOLLOW-UP. NEUMANN

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